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Honorable Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application in the name of:

Joon Tae AHN of Taejon, Republic of Korea; Jong Moo LEE of Taejon, Republic of Korea; and Kyong Hon KIM of Taejon, Republic of Korea,

for GAIN-CLAMPED OPTICAL AMPLIFIER. The application comprises a 33-page specification including $\underline{17}$ claims (3 independents) and Abstract, $\underline{6}$ sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-8b), and a Declaration and Power of Attorney.

The above-mentioned applicants qualify for small entity status.

Also accompanying this application for filing is:

- (1)Assignment document, cover sheet and \$40.00 fee for recordation of Assignment.
- Information Disclosure Statement, Form PTO-1449 and copies of references; (2)
- (3) A certified copy of Korean Application No. 2003-36795, filed June 9, 2003, the priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown:

Small Entity Total Claims= $\frac{17}{1}$; in excess of 20 = 0 x (\$9.00) = \$ 385.00

Total Ind. Claims=3; in excess of 03 = 0 x (\$43.00) = TOTAL FILING FEE:

A Credit Card Payment Form authorizing the amount of \$425.00 is enclosed to cover the Filing Fee and an Assignment Recordation Fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees set forth in §§1.16 or 1.17 during the pendency of this application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1358. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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